Spring 2012 Seafood Processing Waste Permitting and Compliance Workshop

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is hosting two workshops in early 2012, one in Anchorage, AK, and one in Seattle, WA, for operators of seafood processing facilities that operate in Alaska or in Alaska coastal waters regulated under the DEC Alaska Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (APDES) permit program.

Purpose: The workshops will provide information on new APDES permitting requirements for the Seafood Sector in Alaska, provide compliance assistance, and answer questions regarding seafood processing waste permits, including three general permits:

- Permit AKG521000 Coastal Fish Waste Discharges to Marine Water General Permit (in development for facilities located on shore and floating vessels within ½ mile of shore)
- Permit AKG523000 Alaska Offshore Seafood Processors General Permit (floating vessels more than ½ mile from shore to 3 miles from shore or baseline)
- Permit AKG525000 Fish Waste Discharges to Freshwater General Permit (in development for facilities located on shore that discharge to freshwater or certain estuaries)

Dates and Locations for the two-day workshops are:

Anchorage - February 28-29, 2012. Clarion Suites Downtown. 1110 West 8th Avenue, Anchorage, AK

http://www.clarionhotel.com/hotel-anchorage-alaska-AK030
Seattle - April 24-25, 2012. Swedish Cultural Center. 1920 Dexter Ave. N. Seattle, WA

http://www.swedishculturalcenter.org/contacts.htm

Main topics of discussion:

- Which permit(s) is the right permit for your operation?
- New Notice of Intent (application) requirements
- Mixing zones and zones of deposit information
- What to do if you currently have a waiver
- Discharge and receiving water monitoring requirements
- Compliance and new reporting requirements

Cost: Free

Registration Is Open: To register for a workshop go to the appropriate link:

Seattle, WA Workshop April 24th & 25th, 2012 <u>Details and Registration</u>

Questions about the workshops can be directed to decseafoodwastewaterworkshop@alaska.gov.

You can visit the DEC Seafood Processing Waste Home Page for information about the APDES Permitting program at http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wwdp/seafood/Index.html

Sign up on the DEC Seafood list serve to be notified about APDES seafood processing permit related information. Sign up at http://list.state.ak.us/soalists/DEC-Seafood/jl.htm